## Conservation Security Program

## **EHM-STUBBLE**

**ENHANCEMENT:** Annually improve winter cover for wildlife by not bush-hogging or discing crop residue (corn, cotton, tobacco, soybeans) after harvest until March 1, or later.

## **DESCRIPTION**

By enhancing your residue management in this manner you will improve over-wintering habitat for Bobwhite quail and migration stop-over habitat for Meadowlark, Loggerhead shrike, Sparrows and other songbirds that forage and rest in standing crop stubble.

Typically, this practice involves leaving crop residue standing in a field following the harvest, until March 1, or later.

This practice can follow the normal pattern of crop rotation among fields.

The \$2.50 per acre enhancement payment is based on the acreage of tall stubble left standing each year.

## REQUIREMENTS

Include this practice requirements in the conservation plan:

After harvest, leave crop stubble standing on the field until March 1, or later.

Maintain records of the practice using the table on the back of this sheet

**RECORDKEEPING**: In order to verify compliance with the requirements, use this form to document the implementation and maintenance of this enhancement.

Field(s)	Crop Harvest Date	Residue Disturbance Date (mowing, rolling, disking, etc.)	Date Checked